

## CLAIMS

I claim:

1        1. A quick latch system for use with a motor vehicle having  
2 side panels with post holes, said quick latch system comprising:

3        a toolbox having a base with a hole;

4        a shaft having an attaching end and an inserting end for  
5 passing through and rotating within the hole in said toolbox;

6        a clamp arm having a clamping end and <sup>a clamping</sup> ~~an~~ arm extending from  
7 said clamping end, said clamping end being pivotally attached to  
8 said shaft, and said <sup>clamping</sup> ~~arm~~ adapted for rotating said shaft within the  
9 hole in said toolbox and for pivoting said clamp arm from a  
10 vertical position to a horizontal position; and

11        a fastener adapted to attach to the inserting end of said  
12 shaft.

1        2. The quick latch system set forth in claim 1 wherein the  
2 clamping end of said clamp arm comprises a first fork and a second  
3 fork, said first fork having a first hole and said second fork  
4 having a second hole, said first hole and said second hole being in  
5 registry and approximating each other in diameter.

1           3. The quick latch system set forth in claim 2 wherein the  
2 shaft is an eyebolt having an eye with an eye hole approximating  
3 the diameter of said first hole and said second hole in the  
4 clamping end of said clamp arm, said eye fitting between said first  
5 fork and said second fork so that said eye hole is aligned with  
6 said first hole and said second hole.

1           4. The quick latch system set forth in claim 3 further  
2 comprising a dowel inserted through the holes in the forks of said  
3 clamp arm and through the eye hole in the eye of said shaft,  
4 whereby said clamp arm and said eyebolt are pivotally attached to  
5 each other.

1           5. The quick latch system set forth in claim 1 wherein the  
2 clamping end of said clamp arm has a contoured cam surface.

1           6. The quick latch system set forth in claim 1 wherein the  
2 inserting end of said shaft has threads.

1           7. The quick latch system set forth in claim 6 wherein said  
2 fastener is a nut.

1           8. The quick latch system set forth in claim 7 wherein said  
2 nut has a rhombic shape.

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